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SUBJECT: FRG TRADE WITH PLANNED ECONOMY COUNTRIES DURING THE  
FIRST HALF OF 1977

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1. FRG-COMMUNIST COUNTRY TRADE. JUST RELEASED  
STATISTICS OF THE ECONOMICS MINISTRY SHOW A DECREASE  
OF TOTAL FRG TRADE WITH STATE-TRADING COUNTRIES IN THE  
FIRST HALF OF 1977 TO SOME DM 13 BILLION, DOWN 5.6  
PERCENT FROM THE SAME PERIOD IN 1976. THE DECIINE IS  
OF PARTICULAR SIGNIFICANCE SINCE GERMAN TRADE AS A  
WHOLE WITH AIL NATIONS INCREASED BY 8.6 PERCENT IN  
THIS PERIOD. IMPORTS FROM COMMUNIST COUNTRIES DECLINED  
MARGINAIHY BY 0.6 PERCENT TO DM 7.9 BILIION AND EXPORTS  
TO THE SAME COUNTRIES DECLINED BY 8.6 PERCENT TO REACH  
A LEVEL OF DM 5.1 BILLION. GERMAN TRADE WITH COMMUNIST  
COUNTRIES CONSTITUTED ONLY 5.2 PERCENT OF TOTAL GERMAN  
INTERNATIONAL TRADE.

2. EASTERN EUROPE. FRG TRADE WITH EASTERN EUROPEAN  
STATE TRADING COUNTRIES (EXCLUDING USSR) SHOWED  
POSITIVE GROWTH RATES - EXPORTS UP 4.7 PERCENT AND  
IMPORTS UP 8.2 PERCENT. HIGHEST FRG EXPORT INCREASES  
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BY COUNTRY WERE TO HUNGARY (30 PERCENT) AND ROMANIA  
(20 PERCENT); DECREASES WERE RECORDED TO BULGARIA  
(-32 PERCENT) AND TO THE USSR (-13 PERCENT).

ON THE IMPORT SIDE TRADE FROM POIAND INCREASED BY  
18 PERCENT AND FROM HUNGARY 17 PERCENT. TOTAL IMPORTS  
FROM THE USSR DECLINED BY -10.7 PERCENT MAINIY DUE TO

A DECREASE IN DELIVERIES OF OIL AND FUELS.

3. ASIA. AFTER OVER-PROPORTIONAILY HIGH GROWTH RATES  
DURING THE FIRST HAIF OF 1976, TRADE WITH THE PRC  
DECREASED NOTICEABLY THIS YEAR WITH EXPORTS DOWN  
-49.6 PERCENT AND IMPORTS DOWN -6.7 PERCENT.  
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